

REMARKS


This is an amendment and response to the Official Action dated 8/8/2003. The above-identified application has been amended in accordance with the indicated allowable subject matter.

Claim 3 is objected by the Examiner to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

Applicant has amended claim 3 including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Also, the remaining claims have been amended to depend directly or indirectly from claim 3 and are believed allowable.

Accordingly, withdrawal of the rejection is respectfully requested and allowance of claims 3-12 is requested at as early a date as possible. This response fell due on a weekend and therefore this filing is intended to be a timely and complete response to the Official Action dated 8/8/2003.

Respectfully submitted,



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